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## Document Availability

### **EPA Signs Decision Document for Long-Term Protections at Midway Landfill**

On September 6, 2000, EPA signed a Record of Decision, or ROD, describing the final plan for long-term health and environmental protections at Midway Landfill. The landfill, located between I-5 and Highway 99 in Kent, Washington, was closed in 1983. Past cleanup activities have already successfully reduced risks from contaminants at the landfill, and environmental systems, such as a landfill cover and gas control system, are in place. However, some limited additional actions are needed to ensure that the site cleanup will protect the public and environment over the long-term.

Under the ROD, the City of Seattle will be required to continue to operate, maintain, and monitor existing environmental systems at the landfill. The City will be required to sample groundwater from the site until groundwater cleanup standards have been met. County records must show that future use of the site is restricted. The City also will be required every year to remind water districts and others that groundwater near the landfill is not to be used for drinking water. The Washington Department of Ecology will continue to oversee site activities.

EPA accepted public comments on the proposed plan from May 18 to July 17, 2000. EPA received four comment letters. Commenters generally supported EPA's recommendation for limited additional actions at the landfill. Copies of the comment letters, and EPA's responses to them, can be found in the Administrative Record (see below).

## **For More Information**

The Administrative Record: The Administrative Record---which includes the ROD, responses to comments, and other documents about Midway Landfill---is available for review and copying during business hours. The Administrative Record is located at Kent Regional Library, 212 2nd Avenue N, and at EPA's Records Center, 7th Floor, 1200 6th Avenue, Seattle.

**Internet:** Information is also on EPA's web site at [www.epa.gov/r10earth](http://www.epa.gov/r10earth). Click on "index" at bottom; click on "M" for Midway Landfill.

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